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Dear Sol:

In response to your letter, I sent you the wild type cultures of E. coli, K-12, and Monod's "ML"/ The latter is "mitabile lwoffii", i.e. is lactose-negative. Both these cultures should be auxotrophic and suitable for your needs. I wasn't clear whether you needed W-327, but didn't think so from your letter. Mike and I were in process of cleaning it up (the Lac₃- has a tendency to revert) when your letter came. If you will need it for anything, but aren't in too much of a hurry, Mike can bring it down with him next month.

Sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg